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Interested Parties Will Meet Tonight at City Hall.

We find by investigation that it will require considerable more money to start the canning factory than we first estimated. A car of cans will cost over a thousand dollars and we must have cash to pay hands and for fruit and vegetables. To establish and operate a cannery it will require from $5,000 to $10,000.

Mr. Howard, our groceman, and Uncle Billy Anderson have had experience in the business and are enthusiastic over the enterprise. Mr. Howard has canned goods that he put up five years ago, and are now as sound and sweet as when put up. He proposes to take $3.000 stock in our cannery.

I am of the opinion that we can raise $10,000 stock as easy as one and with a large first-class factory we can put up goods much cheaper than with a small cannery. With hundreds of acres we have in fruit and as much in vegetables we can operate a large cannery regular for eight months in the year, and it will not only give employment to hundreds of hands, but will give a market for all that we can raise.

We are to meet tonight at the city hall. All are invited to attend. An effort on our part will make a grand success, otherwise it will fail. A. FRANK ROSS.

HE TRIED TO DIE

Luther H. Reeves, a Former Durant Young Man, Takes Chloroform at Eufaula.

IS IN A PRECARIOUS CONDITION

Called Upon His Sweetheart at Telephone Office and Attempts to End His Life In Her Room.

Eufaula, I. T., Feb. 13.—About 9:30 o'clock Thursday night, Luther H. Reeves, a young man connected with the electric plant at this place, formerly employed by the Chickasaw-Choctaw Telephone Co., at Durant, attempted to commit suicide by means of chloroform.

Reeves came to the office of the telephone exchange, where his sweetheart, Miss Hazell, is employed as operator, and after a few moments conversation, walked into an adjoining room which is occupied by Miss Hazell, and took about two ounces of chloroform.

He was discovered by the young lady, lying on her bed in an unconscious condition. She immediately notified a physician and it was only after most strenuous efforts that consciousness was revived.

Friday the young man was unconscious a greater portion of the time and may die yet.

Reeves says he received a letter a few days ago which contained bad news, but he refuses to state what it was and no other cause is assigned for his rash act.

FRUIT TREES IN FINE CONDITION.

Recent Cold Snap Practically Insures Good Fruit Crop.

W. R. Collins, a prominent nurseryman and an accepted authority on matters pertaining to fruit culture, says the recent cold snap practically assures an abundant fruit crop, as the sap was driven down and the bud development retarded, whereas if February had been warm he thinks there would have been undue development of buds, which might have been destroyed by following freezes or frosts.

He says Southern Indian Territory has never had such a tree planting season as the one now drawing to a close, nursery sales having been remarkable.

There was never a better time to plant trees of all kinds than during the present month. The property owners of the city should band together at once and take steps toward beautifying Durant. Nothing beautifies a city or town more than trees. In fact nothing will attract the attention of the visitor more than shade trees in front of the houses, or along the streets. The Main street of Paris, Texas, is lined with trees and that town is known all over the State for its beautiful appearance.

Trees are things of beauty, enhance the value of the property and the cost is trivial. Let the citizens of Durant get busy in making this a prettier town to live in.

Wm. Langham, a prominent citizen of Roberta, died Saturday night. The remains were interred today at the Highland cemetery, this city.

Saturday afternoon at the store of Perkins & Davis, J. G. Copeland and Miss Melissa Byington, both of Mead, were united in marriage by Rev. A. Frank Ross.

WEALTH OF INDIAN TERRITORY

HOW MUCH IS TAXABLE

Some Interesting Facts About Realty Wealth and Taxation In Indian Territory.

HOMESTEADS ARE NON-TAXABLE

Indian Land, Laws and Treaties Furnish a Problem That Confronts the New State of Oklahoma.

South McAlester, I. T., Feb. 11.—From government reports may be obtained an accurate estimate of the resources and valuation of Oklahoma, but of Indian Territory, which will compose the eastern part of the new State there are no such records. All that be had are estimates taken from such records as have been made for other purposes.

There are 20,000,000 acres of land in Indian Territory. Every acre of this land has been surveyed and appraised by the Dawes Commission. The chairman of the commission says that the land is worth an average of $10 per acre.

Only town property at this time is taxable. It is estimated that the city property in the territory is actually worth $150,000,000. This added to the real property values makes a total realty value of $350,000,000.

It is estimated that if statehood comes in 1906 there will be under the present regime one-fourth of the land taxable; one fourth of the land is Indian homesteads which cannot be taxed for twenty-one years. The chairman of the Dawes commission interprets the treaties to mean that in the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations, where there are 11,000,000 acres of land, none of the land becomes taxable so long as the title remains in the Indian allottee. The homesteads there are half of the allotments. The Cherokee and Creek treaties provide, according to the construction of the chairman of the commission, that all lands except homesteads in these two nations, shall be subject to taxation with the advent of statehood.

There will be a surplus of land amounting to 4,600,000 acres in Indian Territory that will not be allotted. This land is not good grade.

From these estimates it will be seen that while Indian Territory has a tremendous value in realty yet it will come into statehood with but one-fourth of that realty taxable, and there is a fourth that will not be taxable for twenty-one years, leaving 50 per cent that will not be taxable when statehood comes, but may gradually become so as the Indian title is extinguished.

Well informed men estimate the present population of Indian Territory at 700,000. Following statehood taxation is the most important question to the people, and the removal of restrictions from the alienation of Indian land the most important factor in that question.

There is some difference of opinion as to when Indian land becomes taxable while the title is still in the Indian allottees. Mr. Bixby says, according to the treaties, all land in the Creek and Cherokee nations except homesteads becomes taxable with the advent of statehood and the extinguishment of tribal government in 1906. In the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations he interprets the treaties to hold that none of the land is taxable so long as the title remains in the original allottees, and the homestead which is fifty per cent in those two nations, is not taxable for twenty-one years.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1905, in front of the Durant National Bank in the town of Durant, Central District, Indian Territory, sell at public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property, to wit:

One two and three-quarter inch Milburn wagon; one iron gray mare mule, seven years old, fourteen hands high, branded N on left shoulder.

Said property being taken by the undersigned by virtue of a certain mortgage executed on the 11th day of January, A. D. 1905, to the Durant National Bank of Durant, Indian Territory, to secure a certain indebtedness mentioned therein. The undersigned selling as agent for the Durant National Bank of Durant, Indian Territory. G. T. VICKERS. 5-3tw

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